

Appl. No. 10/006,440  
Amdt. dated September 6, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of July 25, 2005

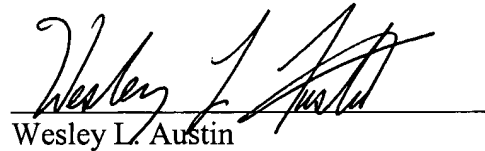
**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-60 are pending in the present application. In the Office Action mailed July 25, 2005, the Examiner allowed claims 15, 35 and 55. The Examiner rejected claims 1-14, 16-34, 36-54 and 56-60 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 15, 35 and 55. Claims 1-14, 16-34, 36-54 and 56-60 have been cancelled.

In view of the forgoing, Applicants respectfully assert that the pending claims are patentably distinct from the cited references, and request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If there are any remaining issues preventing allowance of the pending claim that may be clarified by telephone, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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